

For the past 12 years the employees of the Division of Arts and Culture have worked tirelessly to provide opportunities for our citizens of all ages to enjoy educational programing, art, concerts, cultural presentations and wonderful gallery exhibitions.

The Division of Arts and Culture calls the Utah Cultural Celebration Center their home away from home and indeed many weekend and evening hours are spent at the Center to ensure that businesses, government and private parties who rent the facility for sales meetings, banquets, strategy meetings, weddings and other private events, are provided with the best customer service possible to ensure their success. The staff is committed to ensuring that whoever comes into the center feels welcome has a positive experience and more importantly will return.

To that end, many hours are spent by the entire staff cleaning, emptying garbage, buffing the floors, setting up chairs and tables, taking them down and storing them only to bring them out again the following evening. It is estimated that well over 800,000 people have visited the center and they are constantly complimenting the staff on how beautiful and clean the center is and what a warm and invited atmosphere is present. The staff makes that happen. It is not unusual to see management and administrative personnel with a broom or a mop in their hands cleaning up a spill or sweeping up dust or vacuuming the gallery even before their shift begins.

Excited about the next 10 years, with the construction of the basement beginning hopefully next year, the staff is fully engaged in strengthening existing programing, scheduling new events and increasing rental opportunities at the Center. New staff members have been added to assist in marketing, graphic design and increasing our social media presents. They are an exceptional group of individuals, committed and passionate about the mission and work hard everyday as a team to accomplish the goals and objectives they have been given to achieve.

For this reason I would like to nominate the entire staff of the Division of Arts and Culture for the quarterly award and provide them with recognition for their ongoing work in making the Division and the UCCC venue another crown jewel in our City.

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